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*The NEWS in Missouri Family and Consumer Sciences Education*

*From the Director*

## A Time to Act

*by Cynthia K. Arendt, Ph.D.*

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**B**efore September 11, 2001, I was planning to write about another issue. The terrorist attacks have me focusing on the issue of violence.

It appears our world is becoming increasingly violent. The last *Journal of Family and Consumer Sciences*, (Volume 93, Issue 1,) focused on this issue. This edition focused on safety and security in our communities with articles about family violence, school violence, juvenile delinquents, and other related topics. For many, violence is a way of life. How can we, as educators, change this? Maybe, we need to take a lesson from our young people. I believe the FCCLA STOP the Violence program is one strategy with great potential.

As you may recall, on December 1, 1997, a group of students holding a morning prayer service at a small school in Kentucky were the targets of gunmen. Their own classmates were the killers. Three students were killed and five others critically injured, including local Future Homemakers of America President Missy Jenkins. When the FHA/HERO 1997-1998 Executive Council, which is made up of students, learned of the tragedy, they immediately acted by creating the STOP (Students Taking on Prevention) the Violence program. Now, with more than 8,600 FCCLA chapters across the U.S. participating in STOP the Violence, students learn to recognize warning signs and possibly help prevent violent actions by their peers.

Just two years later, the National Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), formerly FHA/HERO, received \$1.5 million in funding from the U.S. Department of Justice Community Oriented Policing services (COPS) to pilot STOP the Violence in 11 states. For more information regarding STOP the Violence, see the article by Chase Cornett, National Vice President of STAR Events, on page 2 of this issue.

STOP the Violence chapter training

sessions are being held in six locations around the state in October. For more information, visit the Department's Family and Consumer Sciences Web site at [www.dese.state.mo.us/divvoted/family/FCCLA](http://www.dese.state.mo.us/divvoted/family/FCCLA).

What else can the family and consumer sciences professional do to combat violence? Karen Valentine Hackett, writer and editor for the Office of Science and Technology with the Food and Drug Administration writes, "although we are not psychologists or sociologists, we can help. As family 'specialist,' we already understand the critical connection between the family unit, and the child." Some of her suggestions include educating future teachers early in their academic programs about the cultural differences in learning. Teachers should have high expectations of all ethnic groups of students and not discriminate socially or academically against any group. Low expectations lead to low self-esteem which is identified as one cause of acts of violence. Teachers need to continue to push for small classes, stronger outreach programs to connect parents to their children's education, and proper compensation for teachers. Family and Consumer Sciences professionals can work with other professionals to develop courses in conflict resolution and stress management. Family and Consumer Sciences include as a part of their curricula, family dynamics. Hackett supports the trend toward teaching more marriage and family courses; she believes the marriage and family course should be required.

An estimated 4 million incidents of domestic violence against women occur each year, according to the Office on Women's Health (OWH) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (2000). One in four women in the United States will be assaulted by a domestic partner during her lifetime. The American Medical Association and the U.S. Surgeon General believe that

family violence is one of America's most critical health problems (Memon, 1998).

Family violence can happen in any home regardless of ethnicity, race, education level, religion, or socio-economic background. The article "*Family Violence Knows No Cultural Boundaries*" by Brittny McCarthy Barnes, *Journal of Family and Consumer Sciences*, (Volume 93, Issue 1, p. 11-14,) is a good source for information on family violence. You may want to check the following Web sites to learn more: *Islamic Horizons* by K. Memon; *Domestic Violence*, No. 257 and the *Abused Woman*, contact <http://www.medem.com> and <http://www.4woman.gov/faq/violence.htm>.

Reports from the National Children's Advocacy Center (NCAC) indicate that almost 3 million cases of suspected child abuse and neglect are reported each year; that is nearly one child every 10 seconds. Many cases go unreported. Children who are abused are usually subjected to more than one form of abuse. For more information about child abuse, refer to Prevent Child Abuse America at [www.preventchildabuse.org](http://www.preventchildabuse.org).

We know that abusers of children are often the victims of abuse themselves. Marriage and family classes, as well as parenting classes can help, but we must be sensitive to cultural backgrounds of all students.

Acts of violence surround us all and may influence our young people unless we act. FCCLA has acted. How can we? ★

## Holden Announces New State-wide School Violence Hotline

Gov. Bob Holden announced in September that a new school violence hotline has been established to protect Missouri's schoolchildren. The hotline is a joint effort of the Missouri departments of Public Safety, Social Services, and Elementary and Secondary Education.

"In recent years, too many tragic incidents at schools have taken their toll on America's children," Holden said. "Now with the terrorist attacks on September 11, all of us are searching for a feeling of safety. Today we are taking a step to help protect Missouri's children from violence in their schools."

The toll-free hotline is available statewide starting today. Calls will be recorded and forwarded to local school districts and law enforcement agencies. Students, parents and school personnel are encouraged to report physical acts, threats, bullying, intimidation, fights, and weapons on school property. Callers may remain anonymous.

"I urge all students, parents and school personnel to make use of this hotline if they have any reason to suspect violence at their schools," Holden said. The hotline – 1-866-748-7047 – is available statewide and will be staffed from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. ★

## Youth Violence in America

by Chase Cornett, National Vice President of STAR Events, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America

Youth violence in America produces the equivalent of a Columbine shooting **each week**. Violence in schools and communities is a growing problem throughout the country. Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) has taken a stand against violence with a peer-to-peer outreach initiative called STOP (Students Taking On Prevention) the Violence. The program works to empower students to recognize, report and reduce potential for youth violence.

Now, more than ever it is important for everyone to focus on reducing violence in our country. With the events of Sept. 11, 2001, it is important that we unite and put a stop to violence. As a nation, so many people were affected that the damage and suffering was difficult to visualize. Please take time to educate your students and peers about violence, and what can be done to prevent it. While the acts of terrorism were horrific, it provides the opportunity to unite with other groups and organizations in relief efforts. Many chapters are working on projects within their schools and communities to aid victims and their families. Also, many have initiated STOP projects to increase awareness of violence that occurs locally. Please encourage your students to take the time and explore the new STOP the Violence message board at [www.fcclainc.org](http://www.fcclainc.org). Here members can post messages concerning violence and also read what other members from around the nation are doing to stop the violence. While no one knows whether or not the events of September 11 could have been prevented, we can try to stop violence in our own schools and communities through unity, awareness and education. ★

# Advantages of an Approved FACS Program and Vocational Certification

## DESE Mission Statement

"Making a Positive Difference Through Education and Service"

## Family and Consumer Sciences Education Vision Statement

"To empower individuals and families across the life span to manage the challenges of living and working in a diverse, global society. Our unique focus is on families, work and their interrelationships."

Our office occasionally gets phone calls from teachers and administrators asking, "What does it take to be an approved vocational family and consumer sciences program or why should our district be a vocational program?" In response to these questions we would like to offer the following information:

The requirements for an approved program represent the minimum standards and expectations for a vocational family and consumer sciences program. These include developing a program to

- Reflect the philosophy of the Missouri Vision and Mission Statements.
- Provide instruction that includes the identified Missouri competencies and National Family and Consumer Sciences Content Standards.
- Provide a curriculum plan that supports and documents course requirements and reflects career pathway opportunities for students.
- Operate in accordance with state initiatives, including the Missouri School Improvement Plan.
- Have an active advisory committee composed of representatives from business, special populations, parents, and students.
- Have an affiliated FCCLA chapter, which is an integral part of the curriculum, promoting leadership development and a responsible attitude toward family and community involvement.
- Have policies and procedures in place that assure equal access to programs, services and activities for individuals regardless of their sex, age, race, color, national origin, or disabling condition
- Conduct an annual evaluation of the program including documentation for procedures, results, and program improvement efforts.
- Have an instructor certified in Vocational Family and Consumer Sciences Education responsible for the program.

Family and Consumer Sciences Programs that meet approved requirements can provide students with the appropriate knowledge, skills, and resources needed to survive in today's society. The goal is to prepare students as future leaders and members of tomorrow's families, workplaces and communities. They need to be able to act responsibly and productively and to synthesize knowledge from multiple sources. They need to work cooperatively and to apply the highest standards in all aspects of their lives. The above guidelines for an approved FACS program

provide a framework to meet these standards.

Some of the advantages offered to districts with an approved Vocational Family and Consumer Sciences program include technical assistance, teacher- and student-centered in-services and workshops, an annual statewide teacher conference and funding opportunities. Technical assistance is provided to school districts with approved programs via school visits, phone calls and email. The State Family and Consumer Sciences Education staff can provide assistance with program development, curriculum development and instruction incorporating FCCLA. The family and consumer sciences Web page <http://www.dese.state.mo.us/divvoked/family/index.html> and the Missouri Family and Consumer Sciences Education Discussion List (MO-FACS) are additional resources that provide assistance to teachers. In-services, workshops and the annual Missouri Association of Career and Technical Education conference provide professional development for teachers and offer opportunities for sharing and networking. Funding to family and consumer sciences programs is available in the form of competitive grants, and has been offered to school districts since 1997. The state Family and Consumer Sciences Education section has awarded approximately 33 school districts grants of \$6,000-\$10,000 annually, for the last four years for innovative and unique projects that enhance the family and consumer science program.

Teachers teaching in an approved Vocational and Family Consumer Sciences Program must be vocationally certified as stated in the above requirements. Vocational Family and Consumer Sciences certification requirements provide teachers with the educational foundation that include the appropriate content and pedagogy to meet the needs of today's student. Teachers with Vocational Family and Consumer Sciences certification have obtained the preservice education necessary to meet the requirements of an approved vocational family and consumer sciences program and provide the appropriate teaching environments for students. As a result of this teacher training, students participating in vocational family and consumer programs have the opportunity to be appropriately prepared to meet the challenges in today's society. For more information, please contact Dr. Cynthia Arendt, Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, P.O. Box 480, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0480, phone 573-751-2466 or e-mail [carendt@mail.dese.state.mo.us](mailto:carendt@mail.dese.state.mo.us). ★

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## 2001 Missouri ACTE/MoEFACS Summer In-service Conference

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### Summer Conference a Success!

by Debbie Pohl, Supervisor

The Missouri Educators of Family and Consumer Sciences (MoEFACS) held their annual summer in-service conference in conjunction with the Missouri Association for Career and Technical Education (Missouri ACTE) Summer Conference, July 24-26, 2001, at the Clarion Hotel in Springfield. The theme for this year's in-service was "Family and Consumer Sciences: The Journey of a Lifetime." Throughout the week, conference attendees participated in a variety of sessions on family and consumer sciences and vocational education topics and issues. More than 450 Missouri family and consumer sciences educators were in attendance.

Several workshops were held preceding the conference, to include a two-day workshop for new family and consumer sciences teachers and those returning to the field. Joy Behrens, MoEFACS past president from North Kansas City coordinated this information-packed in-service that included presentations from a number of veteran family and consumer sciences teachers from across the state.

A two-day pre-conference course entitled "FCCLA—What a Trip!" was offered for graduate credit through Southeast Missouri State University. Tracey Newman, Family and Consumer Sciences instructor at St. Genevieve High School conducted this session. Participants had the opportunity to explore information and hands-on activities to assist them in implementing a successful co-curricular FCCLA chapter.

On Monday, Dr. Joyce Cavanaugh, with University of Missouri Extension, provided a one-day workshop on financial management resources for the Family/Consumer Resource Management course curriculum. Instruction in the workshop focused on the *High School Financial Planning Program* developed by the National Endowment for Financial Education. DESE Family and Consumer Sciences staff also conducted an in-service session on the new Implementation Guide for Family and Consumer Sciences on Monday afternoon.

The conference officially opened on Tuesday morning featuring the Missouri

ACTE opening general session and the MoEFACS division meetings and luncheons. As part of the day's activities, the MoEFACS Mentor Committee provided an opportunity for new and returning professionals and their mentors to get acquainted and network. That afternoon, Dr. Wanda L. Fox, assistant professor and family and consumer sciences teacher educator from Purdue University provided the keynote address for the MoEFACS Opening General Session. The MoEFACS Reception concluded the day with sponsorship by Glencoe/McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., the Missouri Beef Industry Council and the Dairy Farmers of America.

On Wednesday, the MoEFACS Annual Business meeting and a number of concurrent, networking and informational sessions were held. Sessions topics included: implementing standards-based instruction and assessment; integrating academics into the family and consumer sciences curriculum; National Teacher Certification and parenting education. Information on the Third Cycle of MSIP also was presented. The MoEFACS Awards and Recognition Luncheon was the highlight of the day, honoring MoEFACS members with numerous awards and teacher retirees for the year. Luncheon attendees were also treated to musical entertainment provided by Judy Domeny Bowen from Springfield. The 2001-2002 State Executive Council of the Missouri Association of FCCLA also provided an entertaining and informational skit during the luncheon.

The last day of the conference included roundtable presentations by the 2000-2001 family and consumer sciences competitive grant recipients and others and a closing keynote provided by Dauna Easley, motivational speaker and family and consumer sciences educator from West Chester, Ohio. ★



## Frequently Asked Questions...

by Debbie Pohl, Supervisor

### MoEFACS Scholarships Available

The MoEFACS Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce two \$1,000 scholarships available for students in Missouri high schools and postsecondary institutions. Scholarship applicants must either be a high school senior or a college sophomore or junior planning to pursue a degree in family and consumer sciences education.

Applications must include letters of reference; a resume; current transcript(s); a completed application form; and an essay, video, or pamphlet describing the applicant's experiences and ambitions related to the field of family and consumer sciences education. Applications can be obtained from Suzie Dudenhoeffer, MoEFACS Scholarship Committee Chair, 1021 Arcaro Ct., Florissant 63034, or on our Web site at [www.dese.state.mo.us/divvoted/family/index.html](http://www.dese.state.mo.us/divvoted/family/index.html).

Postmark deadline for all applications is March 1, 2002. For more information contact Suzie Dudenhoeffer by e-mail at [sdude2@earthlink.net](mailto:sdude2@earthlink.net). ★

## SUMMER IN-SERVICE CONFERENCE

We receive numerous questions/comments each year about the timing and location of our summer conference. Many have inquired why we continue to have the conference in Springfield and not in other cities across the state; and, why our MoEFACS meetings are located at the Clarion Hotel. The following are answers to these and other commonly asked questions. . .

### Q: Who decides when and where the Missouri ACTE conference will be held?

A: According to Missouri ACTE policy, the conference is held annually on the last full week of the month of July. The Missouri ACTE Board of Directors, made of representatives of all the divisions of Missouri ACTE, determines the location of the conference on recommendation of its Program Improvement Committee. Every two years, the Missouri ACTE Board sends out Requests for Proposals (RFP's) to all Convention and Visitor Bureaus (CVB) in the state. The response to the RFP provides Missouri ACTE with information about available hotels, sleeping rooms and meeting space, and conference rates for each division of Missouri ACTE. The Missouri ACTE Program Improvement Committee reviews all submitted proposals and makes recommendations to the Missouri ACTE Board of Directors as to the location that will provide accommodations for a high quality conference at the best value for all divisions of the organization. The Missouri ACTE Board votes and awards a two-year contract.

### Q: The conference has been held in Springfield for a number of years. Why isn't it held in Columbia, Kansas City, St. Louis or the Lake of the Ozarks?

A: Location in the state is not the deciding factor. Springfield has been chosen as the conference location for the past 14 years based on their proposals providing adequate, affordable housing for conference attendees; adequate meeting rooms and other accommodations needed by the divisions; and, for the other monetary support provided for the conference by the Springfield CVB. When other cities have submitted proposals, individual room rates quoted by hotels have been consistently and significantly higher than

those from Springfield, and meeting room space and availability quoted was often not sufficient to meet the needs of all the divisions of the organization. Again, providing a high quality conference at the best value for all conference divisions and attendees has been the overall goal for conference location selection.

### Q: Why is MoEFACS always at the Clarion?

A: Division hotels are assigned a headquarters hotel based on membership. Sleeping room accommodations and meeting room needs are reviewed and divisions are assigned to the properties that best fit the needs of the division. Therefore, there are a limited number of hotels that can be utilized by individual divisions that meet their needs for *both* meetings and sleeping room accommodations for every member. For this reason, overflow hotels are assigned to each division to accommodate additional sleeping rooms. MoEFACS has been fortunate to be located at the Clarion, with several quality overflow hotels in close proximity. Clarion staff members are familiar with our conference, providing consistency for conference planning and meeting room space is adequate to accommodate our membership of 475.

### Q: Why was the conference shuttle between headquarters hotels and the Trade Center discontinued?

A: The Missouri ACTE Board of Directors, along with the Springfield CVB decided to discontinue the shuttle service for the 2001 conference due to extremely low participation in the past several years. During the 2001 conference, funds provided by the Springfield CVB for the shuttle service were divided equally among the Missouri ACTE divisions to assist with division conference expenses. The Springfield CVB also provides funds for the Missouri ACTE Opening General Session speaker and for rental of the Trade Center.

### Q: Where will the Missouri ACTE conference be held for the next few years?

A: Springfield was awarded the most recent two-year contract for the conference and will be the location through 2005. The 2002 Missouri ACTE/MoEFACS Summer Conference will be held July 23-25, 2002, in Springfield. Make plans now to attend! ★

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## IN-SERVICE CONFERENCE RECOGNITION

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### MoEFACS Teacher of the Year

by Sara Gibb, 2000-2001  
Awards and Recognition Chair



Jeanne I. Jones

**Jeanne I. Jones** was named MoEFACS Teacher of the Year during the Missouri ACTE/MoEFACS Summer In-service Conference. Jeanne is a family and consumer sciences teacher at West Junior High School in Columbia.

Jeanne has been teaching for 25 years. Her training and education include a bachelor's and master's degree in home economics education from the University of Missouri, Columbia.

Her leadership has been empowered through instrumental planning of projects and activities with the Executive Center Holiday Inn Select. She has a great understanding of the needs and capabilities of her students and uses that knowledge to great advantage collaborating ways for the business and school to interact.

Jeanne's professional memberships and activities include: NATFACS, ACTE, MoEFACS, MSTA, Columbia Classroom Teachers Association, Delta Kappa Gamma, and Phi Delta Kappa. Jeanne has represented family and consumer sciences education at many local, state and national meetings.

She is also actively involved in many civic and community organizations. Some of her contributions include: Board of Directors for Hinkson Creed Community Nursery School, 4-H Fashion Revue Judge, Boone County Fair Judge, Delta Sigma Theta, the Beef Advisory Board and 4-H Advisory Board for Columbia, the Human Environmental Sciences Alumni Awards chairperson, committee member for designing middle schools for Columbia Public Schools, and presentations for the Columbia Parks and Recreation Department.

Her principal, Sandra Logan said, "Jeanne is energetic and innovative. Her lessons are creative and fun and students truly enjoy her class. She is a wonderful example to her colleagues, a collaborative member of our faculty and a respected member of the district and community."

As a profession, we are fortunate to have a dedicated teacher to touch the lives of so many young people, their families and communities. MoEFACS congratulates Jeanne Jones on her many accomplishments! ★

### MoEFACS PRIDE Award

by Sara Gibb



Cheryl Landers

**Cheryl Landers**, Grandview High School, received the 2000-01 PRIDE Award (Public Relations In Developing Excellence).

To promote family and consumer sciences at Grandview High School, Cheryl decided to start an FCCLA chapter. She hoped that an active FCCLA would be noticed by the school and community to help them see the importance of the family and consumer sciences department and support chapter efforts; to assist in reversing declining enrollment; and to help strengthen the family and consumer sciences department.

Students were recruited with daily school announcements, posters and presentations in addition to personal calls. Each month the FCCLA officers and members plan and

conduct two service projects. The members have reupholstered 54 seats in the school auditorium, held several food drives, cleaned yards of the local elderly, and are already planning next years fundraiser and establishing goals. Members' employers have even seen an improvement in the students' work ethics. There has been positive response from teachers, counselors and administrators, and enrollment is up in the program, with another teacher being hired for next year.

The Grandview FCCLA is now the largest organization in the school with 58 members and is one of the most active. The chapter was chosen as one of the 10 finalists for Member Quest 2001, a national FCCLA membership recognition program. ★

### Retiring Teachers Honored

by Sara Gibb

Seven retiring family and consumer sciences teachers were recognized for their service. The retiring teachers were: **Sue Craig** (25yrs.), Cassville; **Elizabeth Honse** (32 yrs.), Vienna; **Linda James** (28 yrs.), Diamond; **Karen Reeve** (29 yrs.), Joplin; **Linda**

**Reynolds** (25 1/2 yrs.), Springfield; **Anne Loraine Simpson** (23 1/2 yrs.), Sikeston; **Bettie Walker** (32 yrs.), St. Louis.

Congratulations and best wishes to all for a long and rewarding retirement! ★

## Know your Legislators!

Does your program need recognition? Do you need more money for your program? If you answered "yes" to these questions, you need to become actively involved in letting your state and federal legislators know about the good things you do. Be sure to tell them the impact your curriculum and FCCLA chapter have on your students.

There are issues that arise on a daily basis that impact our programs and it is imperative for us to let our elected officials know how their vote will affect our students. We must share information on these issues and keep them up-to-date on our instructional programs and needs. Your input is important! The more people who contact these officials, the better our success will be in family and consumer sciences and vocational education!

For help or more information, contact your MoEFACS Legislative Committee. The members of this committee for the 2001-2002 school year are:

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# FAMILY, CAREER AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA NEWS

## Congratulations, Advisors!

### Master Advisors

- Colleen Liebhart, Kirksville, Region 3
- Cherie Thomas, Tarkio, Region 1
- Jennifer Nolen, Chaffee, Region 6
- Joyce Schebaum, Hermann, Region 5
- Dee Ann Kirby, South Shelby, Region 3
- Gail Brink, Perryville, Region 6
- Cathy Boyd, Jackson, Region 6
- Neila Crane, North St. Francois County, Region 6

### Advisor Mentor

- Sharon Robbins, Fredericktown, Region 6

### Excellence in Advising Award

- Debbie Agee, Pleasant Hope, Region 10
- Cathy Boyd, Jackson, Region 6
- Doris Cox, LaMonte, Region 12
- Sue Craig, Cassville, Region 11
- Mary Cupp, Marceline, Region 3
- Patty Davis, Mound City, Region 1
- Cecelia Dotson, Salisbury, Region 3
- Sara Duffield, Advance, Region 8
- Marilyn Franken, Tipton, Region 13
- Sue Hendren, North Harrison, Region 1
- Teresa Klott, Van-Far, Region 4
- Myra McGee, Purdy, Region 11
- Tracey Newman, Ste. Genevieve, Region 6
- Jennifer Nolen, Chaffee, Region 6
- Regina Rainey, Zalma, Region 6
- Linda Rice, Bolivar, Region 10
- Janice Richardson, Penney High, Region 2
- Edna Shoemaker, Northwestern High, Region 3
- Janece Warden, Ste. Genevieve, Region 6

### National Spirit of Advising Award

- Regina, Rainey, Zalma High School, Region 6

## State Leadership Conference

The 2002 State FCCLA Leadership Conference will be held **April 8-10, 2002**, at the Holiday Inn Select Executive Center in Columbia. The State Executive Council has chosen the theme "Tune in to FCCLA" and spent their time during their summer executive council meeting making many exciting plans

for conference delegates.

Rehearsals and STAR Events orientations will take place on Sunday, April 7. Workshops and general sessions will begin on Monday, April 8. Keynote speakers for this event include Susie Vanderlip, Rhett Laubach, Josh Shipp, and special entertainment by Three Men and a Tenor. It will be an exciting event for all FCCLA members!

Conference materials will be posted on the Missouri FCCLA Web site and mailed to chapters in early January.

## National Leadership Meeting Update

The 2001 National Leadership Meeting was held in Anaheim, Calif., with 175 Missouri members, advisors and guests joining over 5,500 FCCLA conference attendees.

Making headlines during this conference is the election of **Chase Cornett** as the National Vice President of STAR Events. Chase is one of 10 national officers. In addition to his duties as a National Executive Council member, Chase serves as a member of the National STAR Events Advisory Team and will have specific duties related to the 2002 National STAR Events competition in Minneapolis, Minn. Chase is a former Region 2 officer, State Executive Council member and was one of the 2000-01 STOP the Violence state facilitators. Chase's chapter advisor is Vicki Woodward, Pattonsburg High School.

Missouri FCCLA was honored for several accomplishments during the meeting. **North St. Francois County High School** (Bonne Terre) was recognized as having the largest FCCLA chapter in the nation (375 members). Fifty-five students represented Missouri in National STAR Events, receiving 46 gold, eight silver and one bronze award. Four entries received perfect scores – representing chapters from **Gallatin**, **Savannah**, **North Andrew** and **Couch**. A complete list of STAR Events awards is posted on the Missouri FCCLA Web site.

The next National Leadership Meeting will be held in Minneapolis, Minn., **July 7-11, 2002**. We hope to see many of you there!



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## STOP the Violence – *Students Taking on Prevention*



Students Taking On Prevention

STOP the Violence is a peer-to-peer outreach initiative that empowers young people to recognize, report and reduce the potential for youth violence. It is a national FCCLA peers education program through which young people address youth violence prevention. Its goals are to:

- Empower students with attitudes, skills and resources to make their schools safer;
- Engage young people in efforts to prevent youth violence;
- Use peer education to increase youth awareness of and involvement in strategies that reduce youth violence;
- Reduce the potential for youth violence in schools with trained FCCLA chapters.

The program uses the principle of peer education – teens teaching teens. Young people are often more willing to listen to and model

their peers. Through peer education training, STOP the Violence prepares FCCLA members to:

- Reach their peers with antiviolence education;
- Recognize warning signs of potential youth violence;
- Promote the need for young people to report troubling behavior;
- Collaborate with school and community resources to address youth violence;
- Develop and implement local action projects aimed at reducing the potential for violence in their school.

Missouri FCCLA is holding six regional training workshops for STOP the Violence. A partnership with Youth Crime Watch of America ([www.ycwa.org](http://www.ycwa.org)) has allowed Missouri FCCLA to include a YCWA trainer at each of the training events. The majority of the training for the events, though, is being conducted by members of the 2001-2002 State Executive Council. They were trained at a 'train the trainers' event in late August. They are excited about the continued implementation of this important FCCLA program and are great examples of youth leadership in our state. Additional information about STOP the Violence program can be found on the Missouri FCCLA and National FCCLA Web sites.

## *New feature on the FACS home page:* **Preparing for MSIP Review**

A new feature has recently been added to the family and consumer sciences education home page on the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's Web site. This new page is devoted to helping vocational family and consumer sciences educators prepare for the Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP) Review.

This MSIP page includes documents and information to assist vocational family and consumer sciences programs prepare for the on-site review process. Documents on the page can be downloaded for use at the local level and links are provided to other important MSIP-related information on the DESE home page.

To access this new page, direct your Web browser to the Missouri Family and Consumer Sciences Education home page at the following address: <http://www.dese.state.mo.us/divvoced/family/index.html>. Click on the button entitled "Preparing for MSIP Review." Specific questions about the MSIP process or the information provided can be directed to family and consumer sciences staff at the state office. E-mail addresses for all staff members are listed on our Web site. ★

## FCCLA Publications Update

New or revised publications this year include the FCCLA Chapter Handbook (CD-ROM), the FCCLA Community Service Guide, and the Middle Level Chapter Guide. These need to be ordered directly from national FCCLA headquarters through their publications catalog or through their Web site. Copies of these resources will be placed in the Missouri Resource Center for Career and Technical Education.

A new "draft" STAR Events Manual is available from national headquarters. The Missouri version of this draft will be placed on the FCCLA Web site when completed. ★



## Teacher Education Council

The Teacher Education Council met Oct. 5, 2001, in Jefferson City. Topics for this meeting included alternative certification and graduate options through distance learning, occupational family and consumer sciences certification requirement revisions and finalizing plans for the Nov. 9 adjunct faculty in-service.

Dr. Frances Shipley presented new information to the council on programming to facilitate alternative certification and graduate options through distance learning.

The primary work of the council for 2001-2002 will focus on evaluating the present occupational certification requirements in light of teacher shortages and difficulties in meeting the course requirements and make recommendations for revisions to the secondary and post secondary/adult occupational family and consumer sciences certification.

An in-service for new and returning teacher education adjunct faculty is planned for **Nov. 9, 2001**, in Jefferson City. The program will center on providing resources for adjunct faculty and will be coordinated by family and consumer sciences teacher educators Jan Crites, Fontbonne College, St. Louis; Dr. Frances Shipley, Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville; and Dr. Cheryl Mimbs, Southwest Missouri State University, Springfield. ★

## 2001-2002 Calendar of Events

### October

- 14-15 STOP the Violence Training, Jefferson City
- 16 STOP the Violence Training, Springfield
- 22 Family & Consumer Sciences MAP In-service, Kansas City
- 23 Family & Consumer Sciences MAP In-service, St. Joseph
- 23 STOP the Violence Training, Cape Girardeau

### November

- 1 Family & Consumer Sciences MAP In-service, Cape Girardeau
- 9 Teacher Educator and Adjunct Faculty Meeting, Jefferson City
- 14 Family & Consumer Sciences MAP In-service, Columbia
- 15 Family & Consumer Sciences MAP In-service, St. Louis

### December

- 1 Deadline for state office to receive Family and Consumer Sciences Grant Progress Report
- 2-4 State FCCLA Executive Council Meeting, Jefferson City
- 13-16 ACTE Convention, New Orleans, LA
- 20 Deadline for FCCLA affiliation eligibility for regional, state and national STAR Events and officer candidates

### January

- 7 State Leadership Conference mailing sent to chapters
- 15 Deadline for state office to receive Student Body, Financial Fitness, Advisor Service Award and Excellence in Advising applications

*Other dates may be added throughout the year.  
Check the Web site or contact the state office with any questions.*